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## NO ABATEMENT IN BATTLE OF VERDUN

**Germans Are Attacking With Unprecedented Violence and With Large Forces.**

**FRENCH SAY ATTACKS HAVE BEEN FRUITLESS**

**Artillery on Both Sides Along the Entire Line is Keeping Up**

**Incessant Bombardment of Opposing Positions—Heavy Casualties Are Being Inflicted on Both Sides—Fortified Villages East of the Meuse Are Declared by Berlin to be in the Hands of the Germans—French Are Bombarding German Positions in the Forest of Argonne and in the Vosges Mountains—Russians in the Caucasus Have Taken Additional Towns—Vienna Chronicles Drive of the Italians.**

Along the front in the region of Verdun the Germans and the French continue the great struggle which began several days ago, with the Germans on the offensive, and their aim evidently the great French fortress of Verdun.

Despite a heavy fall of snow, the Germans north of Verdun have attacked, with what Paris terms unprecedented violence and with large forces, French positions at several points, but according to the French official communication the attacks were without success. Especially has this been true of La Cote du Poivre, about four and one-half miles north of the fortress, the attainment of which would give the Germans a fine vantage point from which to operate against Verdun.

**Action of Artillery Incessant.** The artillery on both sides along the entire battle front is keeping up an incessant bombardment of opposing positions.

So heavy are the detonations of the big guns that the sound of them has penetrated eastward to the left bank of the Rhine in Rhenish Prussia.

Heavy casualties are being inflicted by both sides, and the Germans claim that they have taken a goodly number of prisoners—the aggregate at last reports totalling more than 10,000.

East of the Meuse the fortified villages and farms of Chambeville, Costellat, Marmont, Beaumont, Chambray and Ornes are declared by Berlin to be in the hands of the Germans, as likewise are French positions north of Verdun reaching to the ridge of

Loudmont, which lies south of Beaumont.

**Fighting in Champagne Region.**

Fighting also has been going on in the Champagne region and bombardments of German positions have taken place in the forest of the Argonne and in the Vosges mountains. In Champagne the French report the capture of a German salient south of Ste. Marie-a-Py and the taking of 300 prisoners, including 21 officers and non-commissioned officers. Artillery operations have been in progress along the British front. Bombardments, in heavy casualties are being inflicted on the Germans, and the French claim that they have taken a goodly number of prisoners—the aggregate at last reports totalling more than 10,000.

**Russians Take More Towns.** The Russians in the Caucasus and in Persia have taken additional towns from the Turks. Pursuit of the Turkish forces driven out of Erzerum continues.

Reports from the British front surrounded by Turks at Kut-el-Amara say the Turks long ago ceased their attacks upon the besieged position.

**Italians Driven Back.** Vienna records a further drive of the Italians before the Austro-Hungarian army east and southeast of Durazzo, Albania. Eleven Italian officers, however, and 700 soldiers have been captured. The Durazzo docks are under the fire of the batteries of the Austrians, which are hampering the embarkation of the Italians and their allies in their endeavors to escape.

## FEAR NEWFOUNDLAND WILL FACE FOOD FAMINE

**If Action is Not Immediately Taken to Secure Better Shipping Facilities.**

St. John's, N. F., Feb. 25.—Fearing that the colony of Newfoundland will face a food famine in May or June if action is not immediately taken to secure better shipping facilities, the St. John's Board of Trade has made a vigorous demand to the colonial government to have the shipping facilities improved. The board of trade asks that arrangements be made with the British government to have steamers furnished, even if it becomes necessary for the colonial government to liberally subsidize them.

Newfoundland has already faced a similar problem regarding coal. Last December a coal shortage was caused by a lack of vessels to bring it here, obliged the government to commandeer all of the available coal in St. John's and distribute it to the people in small lots. There is also a shortage of salt for fish curing. The colony usually uses 6,000 tons annually, but so far only 10,000 tons have been received. The colonial government, however, is negotiating with the British admiralty to secure ships to import salt from Spain and Sicily.

## PLEAS OF NOT GUILTY BY GERMAN DEFENDANTS

**Entered in Trial for Conspiracy at San Francisco.**

San Francisco, Feb. 25.—Pleas of not guilty were entered today by defendants in the alleged German shipping conspiracy to violate American neutrality in the United States district court. Date of trial will be arranged Monday, attorneys said.

Sixteen individuals and three shipping firms answered to the charges. Eight other persons have not been arrested. Most of them were members of the crew of the steamer Sacramento, which was alleged to have supplied German warships off the Chilean coast late in 1914.

Among the defendants who appeared were Baron E. H. von Schack, German vice consul-general, H. W. B. Kaufman, chancellor of the consulate, and Maurice A. Hall, Turkish consul-general.

## MOLDERS AND CORE MAKERS ON STRIKE AT WESTFIELD.

**In One of the Plants of the H. B. Smith Company.**

Westfield, Mass., Feb. 25.—One hundred and fifteen loop molders and core makers in one of the plants of the H. B. Smith company, manufacturers of steam boilers and radiators, struck today because of dissatisfaction with a recent increase in pay. The piece workers who received an eight per cent. increase, according to their estimates, ask for 25 per cent. The specific demands of the other strikers were not formulated today. It was stated that six hundred men would be made idle if the strike continued tomorrow.

In January both the plants of the company, employing 1300 hands, were shut down as a result of the strike of laborers, who finally went back at increased wages.

## Cabled Paragraphs

**Spanish Bond Issue of \$20,000,000.** Madrid, Spain, Feb. 25, via Paris, 5 p. m.—A royal decree, issued today, authorizes the issue on March 1st of 100,000 bonds to the amount of 100,000,000 pesetas (about \$20,000,000).

**Serious Outbreak in Berlin.** Amsterdam, via London, Feb. 24, 10.55 p. m.—The Echo de Belge, a copy of which has been received here, says it learns that a serious outbreak occurred in Berlin three days ago. Cavalry charged and fought in the night which ensued over one hundred persons were killed.

**Rumania Calling Troops.** London, Feb. 25, 11.01 p. m.—Reuters' Amsterdam correspondent sends a report received there from Bucharest to the effect that the Rumanian war office has announced that all naturalized Rumanian citizens between the ages of 21 and 46 must report themselves for military service.

## FOR REGULATION OF RUSSIAN CENSORSHIP.

**Diet Adopts Resolution Placing Restrictions Upon It.**

Berlin, Feb. 24, via London, Feb. 25, 10.40 p. m.—The Prussian Diet ended its consideration of the censorship by a resolution, placing restrictions upon the censorship. The resolution provides that the censorship be restricted to questions of military operations; that it be unlawful to publish anything that might reflect upon the honor or the authority of the military command; that the censorship assume responsibility for its action. Another resolution demanding freedom to discuss the aims of the war was also adopted.

The two day debate showed that the members of the Diet, like the members of the Reichstag, do not complain of the military censorship but accuse the political censorship of issuing indefensible orders, especially complain of its lack of uniformity.

Herr Bachmeier, a national liberal, declared that one censor struck out sentences from an address by Emperor William and that one newspaper had been warned that it might comment on proceedings in the Reichstag along lines laid down in the chancellor's speech. The censor, Herr Bachmeier declared, undoubtedly followed political lines.

## MAIL POUCH STOLEN FROM HARTFORD DEPOT

**Found Later With Registered Letters Opened and Contents Removed.**

Hartford, Conn., Feb. 25.—It was reported today to the federal and local authorities that a mail pouch containing registered mail had been stolen from the local New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad last night and its contents rifled. The bag was found near the station today. Examination showed the registered letters had been opened and the empty envelopes returned to the bag. In some instances where the envelopes contained checks the checks were returned. There is no clue so far to the robbers.

The pouch was brought to this city on the train which arrived from Boston by way of Springfield shortly after 10 o'clock.

## FEDERAL WARRANT FOR DR. J. GRANT LYMAN

**Fear He Might Obtain Release Under Habeas Corpus Proceedings.**

Tampa, Fla., Feb. 25.—Federal officials here, fearing that Dr. J. Grant Lyman, held at St. Petersburg, might obtain release from the state authorities under habeas corpus proceedings, today went before District Attorney Phillips and obtained a warrant for his arrest. Lyman, a prominent physician and a member of the United States Senate, was arrested here last night by Special Inspector Reese. He is being held at the St. Petersburg penitentiary.

## NEW FREIGHT EMBARGO BY PENNSYLVANIA ROAD.

**On Consignments to Philadelphia Other Than Foodstuffs and Perishable Goods.**

Philadelphia, Feb. 25.—An embargo on all freight consigned to this city except foodstuffs, perishable freight and livestock, was announced tonight by the Pennsylvania Railroad company. The announcement declared that this step was made necessary by the congestion caused by the failure of consignees to unload their cars promptly.

The company is now holding 12,000 cars of freight destined for Philadelphia, and the situation is expected to worsen at various places on the railroad.

## WANTS FINAL ACTION ON PHILIPPINE BILL DEFERRED.

**Until End of the War—Merchants of Islands Send Request to Congress.**

Manila, Feb. 25.—The Merchants' association, the membership of which is largely American, voted today to cable a appeal to congress to hold off final action on the Philippine bill until the end of the war. The British and Filipino members of the association declined to join in the appeal. The Britishers on the ground that they were foreigners and the Filipinos on the ground that they had conferred with Sergio Osena, Filipino delegate to congress.

## OBITUARY.

**Prof. L. P. Chamberlain.**

Rocky Hill, Conn., Feb. 25.—Prof. L. P. Chamberlain, former professor of agriculture at the Connecticut Agricultural college and at one time superintendent of the state reform school at Meriden, died at his home here tonight of infirmities incident to old age. He was 86 years old. He was a brother of the late Daniel H. Chamberlain, former governor of South Carolina. Two sons survive.

## Isaac E. Gates.

New York, Feb. 25.—Isaac E. Gates, at one time vice president of the Southern Pacific railroad and executor of the estate of C. E. Huntington, his brother-in-law, died here today at the age of 54 years. He was born in Connecticut.

## Movements of Steamships.

Glasgow, Feb. 24.—Arrived: Steamer Cameronian, New York via Liverpool. London, Feb. 24.—Arrived: Steamer Cornubian, St. John, N. B.

## Steamer Aground in Boston Harbor Naval System Severely Criticised

**INTERNATIONAL LINE STEAMER NORTH STAR BY ADMIRAL WINSLOW BEFORE HOUSE COMMITTEE**

**IN NO GREAT DANGER FAVORS SEA TRAINING**

**Ship Pushed Her Nose Into Mud of Castle Island in a Heavy Fog—Passengers Transferred in Storm.**

Boston, Feb. 25.—The Eastern Steamship corporation's International Line steamer North Star pushed her nose into the mud of Castle Island in a heavy fog tonight while working her way out of the harbor with passengers.

Washington, Feb. 25.—The United States navy whole system of government and operation, from education of officers to questions of ship and gun construction, was sharply criticized before the house naval committee.

Says Education of Naval Academy is Wrong—Urged Restoration of Old Grade of Midshipmen in the Fleet.

For the purpose of making Philadelphia one of the most widely known cities in the world as an industrial and commercial center, the mayor is going to advertise the city on a scale never before contemplated.

He knows what advertising has done in other lines of endeavor and he has faith in the belief that it will be able to accomplish just as good results for a municipality and the appropriations according to his statement will go right into the newspapers and other publications—in other words into printer's ink—where it would do the most good.

The mayor of Philadelphia nor any other man would put that sum into advertising unless he had been convinced that it would bring results. He knows that it pays and what pays in that or any other city pays here. The Bulletin's advertising service is thorough and far-reaching. It possesses the qualities which pay the advertiser.

In the past week the following matter has appeared in its columns:

**Bulletin** Telegraph Local General Total

Saturday, Feb. 19... 76 165 1045 1286

Monday, Feb. 21... 96 137 205 438

Tuesday, Feb. 22... 90 142 250 482

Wednesday, Feb. 23... 116 143 163 422

Thursday, Feb. 24... 105 139 232 476

Friday, Feb. 25... 88 127 188 403

Totals ..... 571 853 2083 3507

and freight from St. John, N. B., Eastport and Lubec, Me.

**Passengers Transferred.** Although it was said the steamer was in no danger, Captain Mitchell immediately accomplished a transfer of the thirty passengers to tug in a pelting rain, and they were brought to this city.

**Efforts to Tow Her Free Failed.** The steamer ran ashore at high tide and was still held fast at midnight, but it was hoped to release her with the assistance of tugs at daylight tomorrow. Efforts to tow her free during the night were unsuccessful.

**Unusually Dense Fog.** The fog which enshrouded the harbor, said by mariners to be denser than any in the central competitive recent years, was the primary cause of the mishap, but Captain Mitchell asserted that he would have made his way through the fog but for the absence of a bell buoy which had marked the outer edge of the island until a day or two ago.

**Organized Miners from Central Bituminous Fields.**

**Are Drafting a Plan to Submit to Operators in Pennsylvania.**

New York, Feb. 25.—Organized mine workers from the central competitive bituminous fields sent the entire day drafting a plan which will show the operators of Western Pennsylvania, Ohio, Indiana and Illinois the basis for a settlement. The miners are asking them to pay under the mine run system demanded by the workers. There was no joint session today of the operators and miners, the latter having asked for a recess to work out the plan. The mine owner readily consented and the delegates of the workers tomorrow morning.

There is a possibility that the meeting of the joint sub-committee of the anthracite miners and operators which was to have been held in this city next Monday afternoon may be deferred several days, provided the soft coal situation reaches a point where a settlement can be reached promptly.

If negotiations are continued without interruption, President John P. White of the United Mine Workers, said today he was anxious to clear up the bituminous situation before going deeply into the anthracite wage conference.

## INQUIRY INTO MILK TRANSPORTATION RATES

**Costs One Dairyman More to Produce Milk Than He Receives For It.**

Boston, Feb. 25.—Jeremiah W. Sanborn, of Gilmanton, N. H., a farm owner, who was formerly president of the Missouri State College of Agriculture, asserted at the Interstate Commerce Commission inquiry into milk transportation rates today that the farmers of New England would not stand the proposed increases. He testified that his stock yielded an average of one hundred cans of milk daily, about one thousand quarts, and that it cost him more to produce the milk than he received from the dealer for it. He was at one time superintendent of the farm connected with New Hampshire State college and also founded the Utah State College of Agriculture.

Mr. Sanborn described the condition of the farming industry in New England as deplorable. The number of cows had decreased and the boys were leaving the farms, he said. He figured the average revenue of the farmer at about \$318 a year.

## Condensed Telegrams

**Warring China tongs at Portland, Ore., signed a 30 day truce.**

**Lieut. Ridgely Hunt, U. S. N., retired, died at Washington, aged 65.**

**Inquiries for 11,000 freight cars are reported in the equipment market.**

**The old state building at Lansing, Mich., was seriously damaged by fire.**

**Austria-Hungary has taken steps to centralize and regulate foreign exchange.**

**Rumania has arranged to sell 100,000 carloads of grain to an Austro-German syndicate.**

**Canadian munitions manufacturers have made large purchases of antimony in New York.**

**Fire destroyed the H. L. Joyce furniture warehouse at Binghamton, N. Y., at a loss of \$50,000.**

**Lawrence Killian, said to belong in Boston, died of heart disease in a chair at a Hartford hotel.**

**During 1915 the New York Central handled 4,597,759 carloads of freight, one every seven seconds.**

**Great Britain is considering levying a heavy tax on American soaps to reduce the quantity of imports.**

**The Pittsburgh Steamship company has ordered two steamers from the American Shipbuilding company.**

**The condition of the bakeries in New Britain are not satisfactory to the board of health of that city.**

**A large acid and chemical manufacturing plant will be erected at Washington, Del., by the Pyrites Co., Ltd.**

**The giant Cunard liner Mauretania, sister ship of the ill-fated Lusitania, will resume its trans-Atlantic schedule.**

**Hartford has the oldest postman in point of service in the United States. He is William H. Shaffer, 74 years old.**

**Burglars blew open a safe in St. Patrick's church at Philadelphia and escaped with service articles valued at \$1,000.**

**The Merchants' & Miners' Steamship Co. steamer Junila, Baltimore for Boston, is fast aground in Vineyard sound, Mass.**

**Machinists from all shops in Richmond, Berkeley and Portsmouth, Va., voted to go on strike for higher wages and shorter hours.**

**Canada has officially decided to honor the married mother of a British war nurse, by naming a large western mountain peak for her.**

**Hans Wagner, veteran star of the Pittsburgh Pirates, and the oldest active player in the big leagues, celebrated his 41st birthday.**

**President Wilson has consented to allow the Georgia Democratic delegates to the National convention to use his name for renomination.**

**A strike involving 450 employees took place today at the Williams and Clark plant at Stamford, Conn., owned by the American Chemical company at Roosevelt, N. J.**

**A call has been issued for all Connecticut men who served in the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, 7th, 8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, 12th, 13th, 14th, 15th, 16th, 17th, 18th, 19th, 20th, 21st, 22nd, 23rd, 24th, 25th, 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th, 30th, 31st, 32nd, 33rd, 34th, 35th, 36th, 37th, 38th, 39th, 40th, 41st, 42nd, 43rd, 44th, 45th, 46th, 47th, 48th, 49th, 50th, 51st, 52nd, 53rd, 54th, 55th, 56th, 57th, 58th, 59th, 60th, 61st, 62nd, 63rd, 64th, 65th, 66th, 67th, 68th, 69th, 70th, 71st, 72nd, 73rd, 74th, 75th, 76th, 77th, 78th, 79th, 80th, 81st, 82nd, 83rd, 84th, 85th, 86th, 87th, 88th, 89th, 90th, 91st, 92nd, 93rd, 94th, 95th, 96th, 97th, 98th, 99th, 100th, 101st, 102nd, 103rd, 104th, 105th, 106th, 107th, 108th, 109th, 110th, 111th, 112th, 113th, 114th, 115th, 116th, 117th, 118th, 119th, 120th, 121st, 122nd, 123rd, 124th, 125th, 126th, 127th, 128th, 129th, 130th, 131st, 132nd, 133rd, 134th, 135th, 136th, 137th, 138th, 139th, 140th, 141st, 142nd, 143rd, 144th, 145th, 146th, 147th, 148th, 149th, 150th, 151st, 152nd, 153rd, 154th, 155th, 156th, 157th, 158th, 159th, 160th, 161st, 162nd, 163rd, 164th, 165th, 166th, 167th, 168th, 169th, 170th, 171st, 172nd, 173rd, 174th, 175th, 176th, 177th, 178th, 179th, 180th, 181st, 182nd, 183rd, 184th, 185th, 186th, 187th, 188th, 189th, 190th, 191st, 192nd, 193rd, 194th, 195th, 196th, 197th, 198th, 199th, 200th, 201st, 202nd, 203rd, 204th, 205th, 206th, 207th, 208th, 209th, 210th, 211st, 212th, 213th, 214th, 215th, 216th, 217th, 218th, 219th, 220th, 221st, 222nd, 223rd, 224th, 225th, 226th, 227th, 228th, 229th, 230th, 231st, 232nd, 233rd, 234th, 235th, 236th, 237th, 238th, 239th, 240th, 241st, 242nd, 243rd, 244th, 245th, 246th, 247th, 248th, 249th, 250th, 251st, 252nd, 253rd, 254th, 255th, 256th, 257th, 258th, 259th, 260th, 261st, 262nd, 263rd, 264th, 265th, 266th, 267th, 268th, 269th, 270th, 271st, 272nd, 273rd, 274th, 275th, 276th, 277th, 278th, 279th, 280th, 281st, 282nd, 283rd, 284th, 285th, 286th, 287th, 288th, 289th, 290th, 291st, 292nd, 293rd, 294th, 295th, 296th, 297th, 298th, 299th, 300th, 301st, 302nd, 303rd, 304th, 305th, 306th, 307th, 308th, 309th, 310th, 311st, 312th, 313th, 314th, 315th, 316th, 317th, 318th, 319th, 320th, 321st, 322nd, 323rd, 324th, 325th, 326th, 327th, 328th, 329th, 330th, 331st, 332nd, 333rd, 334th, 335th, 336th, 337th, 338th, 339th, 340th, 341st, 342nd, 343rd, 344th, 345th, 346th, 347th, 348th, 349th, 350th, 351st, 352nd, 353rd, 354th, 355th, 356th, 357th, 358th, 359th, 360th, 361st, 362nd, 363rd, 364th, 365th, 366th, 367th, 368th, 369th, 370th, 371st, 372nd, 373rd, 374th, 375th, 376th, 377th, 378th, 379th, 380th, 381st, 382nd, 383rd, 384th, 385th, 386th, 387th, 388th, 389th, 390th, 391st, 392nd, 393rd, 394th, 395th, 396th, 397th, 398th, 399th, 400th, 401st, 402nd, 403rd, 404th, 405th, 406th, 407th, 408th, 409th, 410th, 411st, 412th, 413th, 414th, 415th, 416th, 417th, 418th, 419th, 420th, 421st, 422nd, 423rd, 424th, 425th, 426th, 427th, 428th, 429th, 430th, 431st, 432nd, 433rd, 434th, 435th, 436th, 437th, 438th, 439th, 440th, 441st, 442nd, 443rd, 444th, 445th, 446th, 447th, 448th, 449th, 450th, 451st, 452nd, 453rd, 454th, 455th, 456th, 457th, 458th, 459th, 460th, 461st, 462nd, 463rd, 464th, 465th, 466th, 467th, 468th, 469th, 470th, 471st, 472nd, 473rd, 474th, 475th, 476th, 477th, 478th, 479th, 480th, 481st, 482nd, 483rd, 484th, 485th, 486th, 487th, 488th, 489th, 490th, 491st, 492nd, 493rd, 494th, 495th, 496th, 497th, 498th, 499th, 500th, 501st, 502nd, 503rd, 504th, 505th, 506th, 507th, 508th, 509th, 510th, 511st, 512th, 513th, 514th, 515th, 516th, 517th, 518th, 519th, 520th, 521st, 522nd, 523rd, 524th, 525th, 526th, 527th, 528th, 529th, 530th, 531st, 532nd, 533rd, 534th, 535th, 536th, 537th, 538th, 539th, 540th, 541st, 542nd, 543rd, 544th, 545th, 546th, 547th, 548th, 549th, 550th, 551st, 552nd, 553rd, 554th, 555th, 556th, 557th, 558th, 559th, 560th, 561st, 562nd, 563rd, 564th, 565th, 566th, 567th, 568th, 569th, 570th**